

## Gas Explosion In Conduit Jars Business Center

With a roar that could be heard for blocks, sewer gas exploded Friday morning at 7:15 in a Memphis Gas and Electric company conduit in the alley at the rear of the Cumberland Telephone company building, on Court avenue. Nearby windows were shattered, and four iron lids, weighing several hundred pounds each, were sent hurtling into the air from as many manholes. Damage was estimated at \$1,500. Workmen sent to repair the damage were at a loss to account for the explosion. They favored the theory that some person, walking along the street on the alley, had tossed a lighted match down a manhole with a grating top. The explosion occurred directly behind the building occupied by the Dunlap Medicine company, located on North Third street, at the alley between Madison avenue and Court avenue. Windows in this building were shattered on the second and third floors on the alley side.

The huge manhole tops, which weigh between 400 and 500 pounds, were tossed into the air like straws by the force of the explosion.

Three of the conduit openings were located at the junction of the two alleys. A fourth, 100 feet down the alley, which runs parallel to Madison avenue, suffered the worst damage. The others were surrounded by asphalt paving which suffered no damage. But the fourth opening, around which granite block paving was laid, was well ripped up. The heavy paving stones were scattered for a distance of two feet from the manhole to repair the damage. No damage was done to electric wires in the conduits, workmen said.

## Up Jumps Another Bernhardi; No Hun But Policy Writer

His name was not D. Bernhardi, the Hun lieutenant-general, author of the book in defense of Prussianism, "Germany at War," but his name was D. Bernhardi (perhaps he dropped the "t" out of his name when he came to America). He was discovered, not writing a defense of Prussianism, but in the act of writing policy checks, a time-honored industry among Memphis literate went to gather the coins and bills from the pockets of the negro population. This recent Bernhardi was flushed, not by the police, oh, no! They're too busy gathering in the faithful and inspiring others to be more faithful in their work for the Williams ticket.

Three doughty Yanks in the person of the sheriff's working crew, Ed Pass, John Janigan and Ira Holland, Thursday night nabbed D. Bernhardi on Beale avenue, in the act of writing policy checks. A lot of tickets and pads also were found. He was arrested together with four negroes who were in the place at the time, and was charged with gambling.

It does seem that police and policy go hand-in-hand.

## JAPANESE EMPEROR RATIFIES PEACE PACT

TOKIO, Oct. 31.—The emperor yesterday ratified the Versailles peace treaty.

Tokio advisers received Thursday announced the ratification of the German peace treaty by Japan. It is clear from the foregoing the ratification was by virtue of imperial action. It was not preceded by any action by the parliament, the constitution of Japan not requiring the assent of the legislative body.

Previous advisers had shown that the treaty had been examined by the privy council and that at a meeting on Monday last it was approved by the council without reservation and submitted to the emperor.

Japan's favorable action on the treaty leaves the pact unratified by only one of the five great powers signatory to the Versailles convention—the United States.

## THE REV. W. D. BUCKNER RIDES IN NEW AUTO

The Rev. W. D. Buckner reached home Friday from the general convention of the Episcopal church at Detroit, where he served as a member of the important committee on canon law. Dr. Buckner stopped over several days at Battle Creek, Mich., to visit Mrs. Buckner, who will remain there for the next two months.

Dr. Buckner will conduct the services at Calvary church Sunday. He was met on his arrival by a committee of the men of Calvary church, who presented him, on behalf of the entire parish, with a handsome sedan touring car.

## SOLOON'S CONDITION SHOWING NO CHANGE

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Oct. 31.—There was no change for the better evident today in the condition of Sen. Martin, who is seriously ill at a local hospital. Senator Martin was very restless this morning after a bad night and declined nourishment. Little hope is held out for his recovery.

## FREAK COTTON BOLL

Sledge & Norfleet had on exhibition at the Cotton exchange Friday an unusual looking open boll of cotton. It was sent to them by Curtis Rand, of Greenville, Ala. There were three lobes and the fiber and seed portion were shaped like an okra pod, having an unusual number of seeds and being nearly four inches long. It apparently was a cross of okra and cotton.

## FIVE YEARS OF SUFFERING

Eupora Lady Broke Down and Was Most Miserable, But Cardui Brought Relief and Now She Is Well

Eupora, Miss.—Mrs. B. E. Tedder, recently spoke as follows: "About five years ago . . . I broke down and took to my bed.

What I suffered no one knew, I was in so much pain from my knees to my right, cramping and drawing, until I thought I would certainly die.

I grew so weak I couldn't eat, and so dizzy and faint and every time I stood on my feet I had the most miserable and heavy feeling in the lower part of my body.

I began on Cardui. It strengthened after a few doses and diminished after the first bottle. I commenced to feel better. I regained appetite. I took the Cardui along. . . . I am well and strong. That has been four years. I can do all my work and feel fine."

Cardui has been found to be a valuable tonic for women. It is composed of mild medicinal ingredients, which in a mild and gentle way on the system and help to build up the body nerves.

Your druggist sells Cardui. Try it.

## Choose From 200 Attractive COATS FOR JUNIORS

Charming, stylish Juniors' and Misses' Coats, a complete new assortment. We do not believe it is possible from a standpoint of value, quality and assortment to equal this lot elsewhere for less than at least \$35.00.

The garments were purchased at a low price and we have marked them on a small profit margin. You will find all the new, pleasing fall colors, and they are attractively trimmed in nobby collars, pockets and belts.

About 50 Odd Silk Dresses for juniors; sold regularly at \$7.95 up to \$10.00. . . . \$5

## Warm Winter Coats for Girls

\$14.95 up to \$25

Sizes 2 to 6 and 6 to 14

Each day's new arrivals add to the large assortments of stylish girls' coats. We specialize on models at these prices and aim not only to reproduce the highest class new, late models, but employ the use of fine, durable, serviceable fabrics and good workmanship.

Recent Purchase Adds Over 250 New Coats At These Prices

Large assortment. Allow us to describe them briefly:

**GIRLS' \$12.50 TO \$15 SERGE DRESSES, \$10.00**  
REGULATION ALL-WOOL SERGE DRESSES—Exactly five dozen all-wool serge dresses to sell at this extraordinary price.

## Saturday Is Pecan Day

Pecan Day has become an established feature with this store. Each year about this time we feature pecan confections, and each year the event grows in proportion. Here is a list prepared for this Pecan Day, Saturday—

**PECAN ANGEL FOOD**  
Pound, 49c.

**PECAN DIVINITY KISSES**  
Vanilla and maple; pound, 44c.

**PECAN BUTTER CREAM FUDGE**  
Vanilla, chocolate and maple; pound, 39c.

**PECAN BUTTER SCOTCH**  
Brittle squares; pound, 39c.

**PECAN TROUFFLES**  
Delicious creamery marshmallows, dipped in French apricot jelly and rolled in new pecan pieces; \$1.50 quality; pound, 89c.

**JUMBO PAPER SHELL PECANS, 1919, 79c POUND**

**ORCHARD RUN PECANS**  
Pound, 29c.

**LARGE PAPER SHELL PECANS, Pound 60c**

**LARGE PECAN 1919 HALVES**  
\$1.25 Pound

**PECAN CARAMEL BON BONS**  
Pound, 49c.

**PECAN NUT BUTTER CREAM CARAMELS**  
Pound, 60c.

**PECAN LOG CABIN ROLL**

Our regular \$1.50 quality velvety honey nougat, dipped in cream caramel and rolled in masses of pecan meats, \$1.50 quality, 75c pound.

**WEEK-END SPECIAL**  
50c BOX

A big box specially assorted to suit the little folks as well as the "grown-ups," nut nougat, chocolates, bon bons, fudge, brittles, taffies, etc. A real \$1.00 box, 50c.

**CHOCOLATE COVERED CHERRIES—60c POUND**

French cherries in cream and velvety, crispy rich chocolates.

(Main Floor.)

## Boys' New Norfolk Suits, \$9.95

Mannish, snappy suits, made of excellent quality cheviots and cassimeres, waist-seam models, detachable belts; pants fully lined; sizes 6 to 17 years; a real bargain at . . . \$9.95

**BOYS' NORFOLK SUITS**  
Excellent Values, Unmatchable at This Price

**\$13.50**

Here are suits that combine maximum service and good looks at a comparatively low price. They are skillfully tailored in the newest waist seam models of cassimeres and fancy mixed cheviots. The knickerbockers have double seat and knees; sizes 7 to 18 years, and most excellent values at \$13.50.

**LITTLE BOYS' SUITS**  
\$5.95—\$6.95—\$7.95

Sizes 3 to 8 years. The prettiest styles of the season, made from all-wool serge and neat mixtures; regulation sailors, Norfolk Juniors and the popular waist seam models.

**500 BOYS' DRESS SUITS, \$15.00**  
Waist-seam models, Knickerbockers, full cut and lined fabrics; strictly all-wool, in the popular gray, brown and green mixtures; sizes 8-18 years; suits that would be low at \$20.00; featured at \$15.00.

**Mackinaws**  
Garments of the better kind; well-tailored, snappy plaids; double-breasted styles; sizes 10 to 18; the values in this are simply great. \$9.95 at (Fourth Floor—Annex.)

**Boys' Trousers \$2**  
Made of durable quality corduroys, cheviots and cassimeres in stripes and mixtures; sizes 7 to 17 years; special at a pair, \$2.00.

Boys' new inner-band caps, new shapes, new colors, all sizes, at \$1.50.

## THE CONSTANT VOICE OF APPROVAL FROM THE BEST DRESSED MEN IN MEMPHIS SETTLES EVERY QUESTION IN

MAIN FLOOR **Monroe Clothes** MAIN FLOOR

*Fabrics, Style, Workmanship and Fit*  
*This Line of Clothing Is Without a Peer*

**\$25—\$30—\$35**

Young men favor our 2 and 3-button, double-breasted models, high chested, high waisted, broad shoulders, curved at hips, flared skirt effect, belt all around, half belt and plain form fitting styles with detachable belt. Also plenty of conservative 2 and 3-button sack coat models.

These "MONROE" **Overcoats**  
**\$25 \$30 \$35**

Ready for you; every type from the single-breasted dressy Chesterfield to the heavy ulster or ulsterette; all-wool materials; plain colors, black, navy, brown, gray, also fancy combination weaves and double texture plaid backs.

**SALE OF LAST SEASON'S OVERCOATS**  
\$35.00 and \$40.00 values. Sincerity and Belmont brands, Chicago made. Styles for men and young men. Single or double-breasted. Sizes, 32 to 44. **\$25**

**"MAYFIELD" Trousers for Men**  
Made to Sell at \$5 to \$12.50—On Sale—

**400 Pairs Men's \$8.50 All-Wool Blue Serge PANTS**  
Sizes, 28 to 52 **\$6.50**

Mayfield Woolen Mills have been weaving cloth for many years; in fact, the mill ran through the entire civil war. They are noted for their reliability, honest ideas and quality of their product.

We bought over 1,000 pairs of trousers from them last week for cash, and have every size in every price, from 28 to 52 waist; all lengths in stock; wonderful fabrics and values.

(Main Floor.)

## Decided Savings In Underwear & Sweaters

**Men's Heavy Ribbed Cotton Shirts and Drawers 85c**  
Extra heavy quality, white and ecru, and all sizes, 30 to 46.

**Extra Heavy Fleece Cotton Shirts, Drawers, \$1.15**  
Comes in ecru color, extra fine quality, fleeced; all sizes, 30 to 46.

**Wool Mixed Shirts and Drawers, \$1.89**  
Comes in various weights, silver and gray; all sizes.

**Men's Wool Shirts and Drawers, \$2.79**  
Finest all pure wool, various styles and weights, mostly all sizes.

**Heavy Ribbed Union Suits, \$1.59**  
Comes in gray and ecru, perfect fitting, closed crotch, all sizes, 34 to 46.

**Ribbed & Fleece Union Suits \$1.89**  
Comes in white, ecru and peeler and silver gray; medium and extra heavy weight; all sizes.

**\$3.50 Wool Mixed Union Suits \$2.89**  
Comes in silver gray and white; various weights.

**Wool Union Suits \$3.89**  
Pure all-wool, comes in light weight to extra heavy weight; sizes 38 to 44 only.

**A Sample Line of Sweater Coats**  
Offering An Opportunity To Save 1/3 to 1/4 On Each

**Imported Velour HATS \$4.85**  
Most popular velour hat at a saving, and they are beautiful, too. Come in all the newest shapes and shades, with the finest of trimming and satin lined.

**Men's Extra Heavy Coats \$1.89**  
Comes in oxford, navy, gray, large shawl collar; all sizes, 34 to 46.

**Extra Heavy and Medium Weight Coats, \$3.85**  
Coat style and slipover, with large collar or V neck; all colors and combinations; all sizes, 34 to 46.

**All-Wool Coats \$5.85**  
Plain color as well as stripe; all sizes 34 to 46.

**Pure Worsted Coats \$7.85**  
Pure wool and worsted, and comes in every style and color; all sizes, 34 to 46.

**Pure Wool Coats \$9.85**  
Large variety of styles. If you want a very fine coat at a low price, come and get one.

**Youths' and Young Men's Sweater Coats**  
12 to 18 years old college and school sweater in plain color and stripe.  
Lot No. 1—\$5 to \$6 sweater, all wool, \$8.65.  
Lot No. 2—\$7.50 to \$10 sweaters, \$5.85.  
(Main Floor.)